

REVIEW OF WEEK IN SPORTS WORLD

Richmond's Champion Team Shows Much Class in Opening Game of Virginia League.

RED SOX WEAK HITTERS

Lynchburg Team Furnishes Surprise—Norfolk and Portsmouth Make Weak Showing.

BY JAMES L. WEST, Sporting Editor.

Success attended the opening of the Virginia State League last week, and present indications are that the present season will be the best the league has had. On opening day, Thursday, a record-breaking crowd turned out in Norfolk and more than 7,000 Richmond fans attended the game here. A large crowd also was on hand at Lynchburg. Big crowds witnessed the game Saturday. Unfortunately the Friday games had to be postponed on account of rain.

Richmond, Danville, Roanoke and Lynchburg showed much class in the two games played. The opening game between Norfolk and Portsmouth was a runaway affair for Norfolk, and on Saturday the tables were turned, Portsmouth winning easily. Neither of these teams is in as good shape as the other four aggregations, but each has good material and should develop into a fast club.

Red Sox Weak Hitters. Danville has a fast fielding team, the infield, with Stafford, Magee, Fisher and Tydemann, being especially good. Powell, Kling and Sullivan are fast outfielders and all did good work in the two games here.

The catchers are working well, and the club has a good staff of pitchers. The one weakness seems to be in the stick work. In the opening game the Red Sox secured but two hits off "Dutch" Reville, and Saturday they could not find Jack Ashton for timely bingles until the tenth inning. Richmond's Champion Colts have furnished what is probably the only surprise in the league. In practice games the team showed up to very poor advantage, both in fielding and stick work. The thousands of local fans who had seen the exhibition games felt uneasy about the success of the nine.

Champs Furnish Surprise. When the champs pounced on Danville opening day and shut them out without the slightest aid of a run, the enthusiasts were greatly surprised. Reville's pitching was excellent all the way, but sensational fielding behind him, especially by Manager Lipe at third base, robbed the Red Sox of several games and kept them shut out. In a way, the showing of the champions was rather remarkable. They played in mid-season form, accepting every chance—and many were difficult—without an error, and landing on Morrisey for a collection of bingles in one inning that won the game.

Such pitching as Reville did Thursday, such fielding and such hitting will win most any game.

Saturday the Champs came up from behind in the tenth inning and turned a seemingly sure defeat into glorious victory. There they showed a fighting quality that should argue well for their success in future games.

The Colts go on the road this morning, playing Portsmouth three games at Portsmouth. This trip will show the real mettle of the team. On the showing thus far the Colts should get two of the three. Reville, Bussey and Walker probably will work in the games.

Lynchburg surprised its adherents by twice defeating the Roanoke team. The Shoemakers were generally regarded as a weak aggregation, while Roanoke was considered one of the strongest aggregations in the circuit.

In the Big League. Clark Griffith's Cincinnati Reds are hitting a fast pace and have a strong hold on first place in the National League. The team is fielding and hitting well, and its pitchers are going in great shape.

The Chicago Cubs and the Pittsburgh Pirates are not getting underway rapidly this season. Both are as strong as last year, but they are not playing up to their standard.

Philadelphia and New York have met with some reverses from Boston and Brooklyn. The last two named teams appear to be much stronger than last season.

Detroit and New York are running neck and neck for first place in the American League.

The Tigers are a classier team than the Yankees and have been playing the top-notchers all season, whereas the Yankees have been up against the second division team. Richmond fans who saw the Yankees play here are confident that the team cannot be a winner with the Tigers, White Sox, Naps and Browns.

On the Racetracks. The most important race meet of the spring in the East is the Pimlico meet, which began at Baltimore Saturday. Ten thousand people turned out on the

TWO WARM GAMES IN THE AMERICAN LEAGUE

Chicago's Recruit Holds St. Louis Down to Three Scattering Hits.

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Results Yesterday, Chicago, 1; St. Louis, 0. Detroit, 3; Cleveland, 0.

Games To-Day, St. Louis at Chicago, Detroit at Cleveland, Philadelphia at Washington, New York at Boston.

| Standing of the Clubs. | Won. | Lost. | P.C. |
|------------------------|------|-------|------|
| New York..... | 6 | 2 | .750 |
| Boston..... | 7 | 2 | .779 |
| Philadelphia..... | 4 | 4 | .500 |
| St. Louis..... | 4 | 4 | .500 |
| Chicago..... | 4 | 4 | .500 |
| Cleveland..... | 4 | 4 | .500 |
| Washington..... | 2 | 6 | .250 |

Detroit Beats the Naps. DETROIT, Mich., April 25.—Detroit and Cleveland played here to-day, the home team shutting out the visitors 3 to 0. Summary: A fine game and was well supported. The hitting of Lajoie and Schmidt was the real feature of the game that was close and well played all the way.

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Scott's Fine Debut. CHICAGO, Ill., April 25.—The Chicago Americans defeated St. Louis 1 to 0 to-day, largely through the excellent work of pitcher James Scott, a recruit from Wichita, Kan. It was Scott's first game in a major league, but he held St. Louis to three scattered hits besides striking out six men, scored by Innings: R. H. E. Chicago.....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—1 4 2 St. Louis.....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 3 2 Umpires: Scott and Sullivan. Time, 1:15. Umpires, Perrine and Sheridan.

LAST HUNT OF SEASON. Riverside Hunt Club Hounds Do Some Excellent Work. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] PETERSBURG, Va., April 25.—The meet yesterday was at the kennels. It was probably the last meet of the season, as the farmers are preparing for their crops. The hounds were run in back of the clubhouse and ran across Fisher's Hill to First Street, and were then thrown in at Piccadilly through Millwaine's woods to the River Road. They were thrown in for the first time in the season, and were around to Cox's Road, entering the club grounds at the car shed and finishing at the kennels in good form after one of the most enjoyable races of the year.

Those riding were M. C. Jackson, M. F. H., on Black Sox; Irving Hartley, Phil, on Moonlight; Leroy Roper, white, on Setback; Harvey Seward, on Christine; E. W. Ritchie, on Cedar Mountain; grooms, on Cedar Conveyance, Lady Hope and Gipsy Maid.

WALKER SMASHES RECORDS. Sets New Pace in 150-Yard and 150-Yard Dash.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.] SYDNEY, N. Y., April 25.—Teggie Walker, the Olympic 100-metres champion, broke the world's record for 150 yards yesterday on the level. His time was 14.5 seconds, beating the record measured by corporation surveyors.

Subsequently Walker attacked the 150 yards record, and covered the distance in 17.4 seconds, beating the record of Baker's record of 18 seconds at Beacon Park, Boston, which was made on June 14, 1886. Walker says Thursday, after a tour of England and the United States.

opening day, and the meet promises to be an unusually successful one. Some of the best racing horses in the country are entered in the events.

Interest in the local race meet is steadily increasing and the officials of the Virginia Racing and Horse Show Association feel confident that the race and horse show will draw big crowds and that they will furnish some excellent sport.

With the Minor Leagues. Besides the Virginia League, the Eastern League and the Carolina Association began their seasons last week. The season with the Eastern League promises to be an unusually successful one, and already the teams are going in fine shape.

The Carolina Association got under way well, and the teams are reported to be in unusually good condition at the start.

With the Prize-Fighters. The announcement by James J. Jeffries that he will fight Jack Johnson was the biggest event of the week with the fighters. Jeffries says he cannot get down to condition for ten months, and that the fight will not come off if Stanley Ketchell beats Johnson.

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Says He'll Make Short Work of Him in the Ring.

YOUNG CORBETT'S RETURN

Young Highlanders Stir Veterans—Hal Chase to Get a Great Reception.

NEW YORK, April 25.—Jeffries was hot under the collar to-day when informed that Johnson had accused him of fourfurloughing by refusing to post a \$5,000 forfeit.

"My word is good," said Jeff, "and the sporting public knows that I intend to fight this black fellow as soon as I can. It is not necessary for me to put up a forfeit now, and Johnson knows this as well as anybody. I will make a match with him quickly as soon as my theatrical engagements end, and when I get him in the ring I'll make short work of him. Why, I could lick him right now even in my present shape. How long will he last? Well, if he's on his feet at the end of three rounds, he'll be lucky."

"All I want is to see him in the ring with me, and I'll guarantee that he'll get a beating he'll not forget in a hurry. I did not say I'd fight Johnson because of money, but because I don't need it. I know I can get it, and also that I'll win in a walk. Ketchell? Oh, I don't know whether he is big enough to whip the black man. But you can bet I'll root for him. Ketchell is a great young fighter, and I'd like to see him win. Then I'll retire for good."

Young Corbett Comes Back. Young Corbett, after his remarkably good showing with Bert Keys at the Fairmount Athletic Club on Friday, notified Manager Gibson that he wanted to meet the winner of the ten-round go between Freddie Welsh, of England, and Johnny Frayne, of California.

Corbett thinks he can whip either of these men, and if he does, he says he will be ready to cross arms with Leach Cross or Tommy Murphy.

As soon as hot weather sets in, Corbett thinks he will be able to take off some more flesh, which will enable him to make 125 pounds. He can go ten rounds at a fast clip, but in a longer bout it is thought that he would not be able to win under weight for age conditions.

Youngsters Stir Veterans. Spurred on by the clever work of the Highlanders' new pitchers, Jack Chesbro and Fred Glade, the veteran boxmen, have decided to get into harness without further delay. Chesbro has notified Manager Stallings that he will report for duty in about a week or ten days, and that he will be ready to take his turn with the other pitchers.

Glade, who signed a contract six weeks ago, but who has been absent because of private business, will join the Highlanders when they reach Detroit on their first Western trip.

"Chase Day." It has been practically decided that Hal Chase, who is on his way here from Augusta, having recovered from the smallpox, will make his first appearance of the season with the Highlanders at American League Park one week from Monday. The management will call this event "Chase Day," and preparations will be made to give an ovation to the star first baseman.

John M. Ward, once manager of the Giants, called on President Farrell yesterday. "I have been following baseball for many years," said Ward. "But I'm free to confess that I never saw the equal of Chase. In my opinion he is the greatest ball player that ever lived, and when he gets back on the team, the Highlanders will come near finishing at the top. Stallings has a splendid ball team, no mistake."

Chase in New York. NEW YORK, April 25.—Hal Chase, first baseman of the New York Americans, who has been laid up with varioloid in Augusta, for the last three weeks, reached New York to-night and called on his fellow players, from whom he received a great reception. Chase is anxious to get back to work, but Manager Stallings will not allow him to until Monday, May 3, which is to be "Hal Chase Day," at the local American park.

Chase bears no smallpox marks on his face, and says he never felt better in his life.

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| Philadelphia..... | 3 | 3 | .500 |
| St. Louis..... | 5 | 6 | .455 |
| Pittsburgh..... | 4 | 5 | .444 |

Used Two Pitchers. ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 25.—Chicago had a hard time winning from St. Louis to-day, but Camnitz used two pitchers, Polesie being knocked out of the box. Overall stopped the local team from making runs. The St. Louis team did not support Polesie.

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Reds Couldn't Hit. CINCINNATI, O., April 25.—Camnitz's pitching for Pittsburgh held Cincinnati to one hit to-day, Mitchell's triple into the crowd in the fifth inning alone preventing a shut out. In fact, Cincinnati was unable to give a base on balls or hit a batsman. Abstein, of Pittsburgh, hit safely every time he came to bat.

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SPORTING EVENTS FOR WEEK

Langford Will Fight Ferguson. Amateur Marathon for Next Saturday.

With the more professional sports under way for the spring and summer, the season of amateur sports and athletics in the open comes on apace this week with golf tournaments and college track meets at Philadelphia and Boston.

The golfing season gives promise of breaking all records. The entry list of the Lakewood tournament was remarkably representative territorially. From now until the last of May all tournaments in the New York district are largely preparatory to the Metropolitan championship at Anawtish. Atlantic City will have its usual spring tournament the last three days of this week. The Garden City tournament will be next week. The results at Garden City will give a trustworthy idea on the Metropolitan field for the championship (this struggle three weeks later).

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FRIDAY, MAY 14, 1909, at the hour of 12 o'clock, at the front door of the courthouse of Henrico county, Va., offer for sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, that certain tract of land, the county of Henrico, Va., on the south side of the Williamsburg Stage Road, about six miles below the city of Richmond, containing 246 1-2 acres, more or less, bounded on the north by the Williamsburg Road, and on the east and south by the line of the Virginia Passenger and Power Company and R. E. Jones, and on the west by Boltz, Henry, Frank Watson and Ira W. Schenck.

This property will be sold subject to a prior deed of trust thereon of \$2,000.

TERMS OF SALE: Cash as to \$500, and the proceeds of the sale may be necessary to defray the expenses of executing this trust, including the trustee's commission of 5 per cent on the net proceeds of the sale of \$1,000, with interest thereon from January 14, 1909, at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, and if there be residue the same to be made payable at such time and secured in such manner as may be announced at the date and place of sale.

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